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Docket No. : 12435-01/JWE
Inventor(s) : Ralph K. Friend, et al.
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INTERNET CONNECTIVITY
FOR AGRICULTURE BUYERS, SELLERS AND TRANSPORTERS

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Date: December 21, 2000

1. **FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM** (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing).
2. Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27. A small entity declaration is enclosed.
3. **IF A CONTINUING APPLICATION**
____ This application is a [divisional/continuation or continuation-in-part] of patent application No. _____.
 This application claims priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and 37 CFR §1.78(a)(4), to provisional Application No. 60/171,684, filed December 29, 1999.

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied is supplied under item 4c below, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

4. APPLICATION COMPRISED OF

- (a) Specification
61 Specification, claims and Abstract (total pages)
- (b) Drawings
11 Sheets of drawing(s) (FIGS. 1 to 12)
- (c) Declaration and Power of Attorney
 - ____ Newly executed
 - ____ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation and divisional)
 - An **unsigned** declaration

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5. **Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)**
6. **Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)**
 - Computer Readable Copy
 - Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
 - Statement verifying identity of above copies
7. **ALSO ENCLOSED ARE**

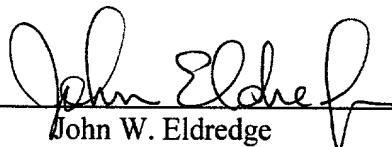
- Preliminary Amendment
- Petition for Extension of Time for the parent application and the required fee are enclosed as separate papers
- An Assignment of the invention with the Recordation Cover Sheet and the recordation fee are enclosed as separate papers
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an Assignee)
- This application is owned by pursuant to an Assignment recorded at Reel __, Frame __
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- Copies of IDS Citations
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)
- English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
- Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized).
- Other

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FEE CALCULATIONS

CLAIMS		NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
A	TOTAL CLAIMS	26 - 20 =	6	6 x \$9.00	\$ 54.00
B	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 - 3 =	1	1 x \$40.00	\$ 40.00
C	SUBTOTAL		SMALL ENTITY FEE = LARGE ENTITY FEE =	A + B 2 X (A + B)	\$ 94.00
D	BASIC FEE		SMALL ENTITY FEE = LARGE ENTITY FEE =	\$355.00 \$710.00	\$355.00
E	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE		SMALL ENTITY FEE = LARGE ENTITY FEE =	\$135.00 \$270.00	0
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD LINES C, D, AND E)				\$449.00

List Independent Claims: 1, 8, 16, 24

METHOD OF PAYMENT

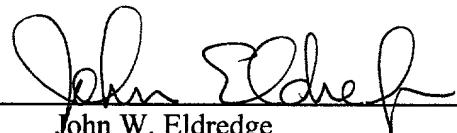
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